

TENNIS CLUB ELECTS NEW EXECUTIVE 1936

Meeting Wednesday Evening - Out-line Season's Operations - Fees Lowered for Current Season - Courts in Fair Shape.

The Tennis club held their annual meeting Wednesday evening for the election of officers and outlining of the year's operations. Gordon Flak was elected president of the club. Archie Johnston, vice-president, and Wm. McLaws secretary. Miss Anne Clarke, Geo. Bittles and Miss Betty Plummer were also elected to the executive.

The fees for this year were lowered on the advice of several members present to bring the men's to \$3, ladies' \$2, juniors \$1 and family \$5. Because of the low amount of funds available, and the necessity of purchasing new equipment for the courts it was decided to have each court cared for by two members during the season. Three new nets have been arranged for and a new set of tapes will be laid.

The Bassano club will join the Alberta Lawn Tennis association, but all tournaments will be left in the hands of the executive. An increase in membership is looked forward to this year with the added prospect of an active year.



Twenty-six boxes turned out to the regular meeting of the Bassano Scout Troop No. 1 in the school last Thursday evening.

Officers appointed by Scoutmaster Wm. McLaws include P.T. captain, Robt. Currie; drill captain, Norman Shiloh; assistant commanding officer, Robt. Currie. The Scout troop, which body also forms the school cadets, are drilling for two shields, one in P.T. and the other a cadet trophy.

Except for three newcomers, Goldie Smith, Walter Bassarack and Gordon McLaws, the troop have all passed their tenderfoot tests. Badges will be presented tonight (April 29).

Target practice was called for Saturday, April 25, at 2 p.m. with Roy Gifford in charge. Goldie Smith shot the highest score of 18 competitors.

Semaphore signalling is being carried on under the instruction of Assistant Scoutmaster E. C. Catbuck in connection with tests for second-class Scout badges, which are expected to be presented shortly.

SHOWER

CLONY Mrs. C. B. Jones and Mrs. E. M. Broadfoot were hostesses at a shower held for the former Miss Gervais, whose marriage to David Desjardine took place on April 22. After tea had been served, they Laura Jones wheeled in a daintily decorated carriage laden with gifts that proved both useful and beautiful. There were some fifteen guests present.

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Plan Hussar Stampede

HUSSAR, Apr. 25.—Plans are being made for the Hussar Stampede to be held Monday, May 25. The officers are the same as last year, W. O. Nelson, president of the Stampede association, and J. C. Lawson, stampede manager.

GOLFERS PREPARE FOR SUMMER FEST

HOLD ANNUAL MEETING—Small Attendance—Financial Statement Presented—Officers Elected—Purchase New Mowers—Official Opening Date To Be Announced Later.

The Bassano Golf club held their annual meeting Thursday evening, April 25, in the Bank of Commerce building with only a small number of members present. President H. A. Harper presented the report on last season's operations, referring to the laying of new greens, new bunkers on the sixth hole, and the erection of a fence around the clubhouse and the grounds.

The financial statement showed a balance of \$28 with \$8 in outstanding fees; the recent purchase of a mower for use on the fairways is to be settled with out of the balance in the bank. In the election of officers for 1935 the following were elected: H. A. Harper was again elected president, and Alf Hansen, secretary-treasurer.

The greens committee consists of A. White, Harry Holmes and A. Hansen. Mrs. A. P. Thompson, Mrs. A. G. Scott, Mrs. D. W. P. Keith and Dr. A. G. Scott form the entertainment committee.

The meeting decided to let the fees stand at the same as last year; this means \$4 for men, \$2 for ladies and \$1 for students. The official opening date of the club will be announced later.

The club is selling tickets cutting the purchaser to one round of golf, which includes a chance on a \$10 golf ball and other sports equipment of equal value. Proceeds will be used towards constructing new tees on the links.

Present outlook points to a successful season for the golf club during the coming months.

Gem

DEM. Apr. 25.—The Gem farmers very hopefully went to work on the land a week ago Monday, but were interrupted for nearly a week by our last winter storm, which blew it off the last. They are very busy now trying to make up for lost time.

The Excelsior meeting held at the home of Mrs. LeGrand on Monday was attended by a large number of members and was conducted in the usual successful manner. Every one is still outdoing the motorist doing the meetings in spite of the busy season. The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9, at the home of Mrs. LeGrand.

Mrs. and Mr. B. J. Schutler left by bus Friday to pay a visit to their old home in the state of Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Bill George, Mrs. Caldwell and Babe George went to Calgary last Thursday to see the hockey game and returned on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Goring and family, who have lived in Gem for many years, moved to Latham district recently.

Chas. Douglas was visiting friends in Gem last week-end.

The Misses Malcom, Elsie, Catherine and Betty Williams, returned to Calgary on Sunday to complete their Normal school training. Harry Holmes is back in Gem. We believe he must like it here, although we are not sure whether it is the place which is as attractive or whether it is whom he finds in it which draws him.

Miss Mildred Waltemath left for Calgary on Sunday to work there for the summer.

Bob Williamson made a business trip to Brooks on Monday.

The Gem Sunday school was successful. The Fourth Annual Track Meet of the Bassano, Brooks, Hussar and Gem schools will be held in Gem this year on Saturday, May 19.

We ask for your support and co-operation in putting on this event in Gem.

EDWARD EVANS DIES AT HOME SATURDAY

Edward Evans, 72, died at his home three miles south of Bassano last Saturday, April 25. Death was due to natural causes.

He was born at Buckingham, England, on April 30, 1862, and has resided here for the past 21 years, during which time he operated his farm. Surviving are his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Wm. McNeilly, and one son, Aubrey of Bassano. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. B. Winter on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock on Anglican church at 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon, and the interment took place in Bassano cemetery. The pall-bearers were E. Teigland, R. Engle, J. Finlayson, F. Pragnell, R. Cline and H. Pool.

Hussar

HUSSAR, Apr. 25.—Plans are underway for the high school banquet, which will be held in the hall on the evening of May 15.

Miss Helen LeGrand and Ivan Montgomery were Calgary visitors on Wednesday.

Last week, Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Clark and Bobby Lou and Mr. E. Johnson motored to Calgary and Mr. Geo. Clark returned with them; Mr. T. H. Clark and Clarence Engle brought back a Diesel engine on Sunday. Mrs. T. H. Clark and Mr. Geo. Clark went to Calgary on Wednesday.

Mrs. Nat Bryan, who has been ill with pneumonia in Drumheller hospital, returned home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lawson motored to Rockyford on Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and other relatives there, and returned Friday.

A cow belonging to Jimmy Treacy gave birth to three calves last week. The first two were large and well developed, but died at birth. The third, much smaller, is still living and seems quite normal.

Miss Lois Kelly, who had her appendix removed in Drumheller hospital before Easter, is far from well. Mrs. Franz Kelly to Tom and Mary Ellen were down to see her on Wednesday.

Mr. E. Anderberg went to Calgary on Friday, and Mrs. D. A. Williams, who has been under doctor's care for several months, returned with him.

Mr. H. D. Brown, with Emerson and Ruth, motored to Calgary on Saturday.

Mrs. T. Lawson, Mrs. E. Johnson and Miss M. Bell motored to Bassano Tuesday.

Mr. H. Hawkeless, who has been visiting relatives and friends at her old home in Ontario for the past six weeks, returned on Sunday.

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R. E. Stullings held a sale of all goods on Saturday with A. J. Seivigny as auctioneer and Harry Wilson as clerk. The sale was a success.

Mr. R. C. Brewer of Spokane is making his home in Hussar while he is overseeing farming operations on the Allen and Lemmle places.

The old bridge party set for May 12 will be held May 6 instead, at the home of Mrs. Tom Lawson, with Mrs. Thelma assisting hostess.

These ladies are cordially invited to attend. Remember the change in date—it is to be held on Wednesday afternoon, May 6.

A surprise party was held at the home of Mrs. LeGrand for Misses Lucille and Orabelle Shnellings, who are leaving Hussar to make their future home in California.

Chancellor

CHANCELLOR, Apr. 25.—Visitors to Calgary Monday were Mrs. E. and Mrs. Ed. Christensen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Muir, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Muir, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hobbs and Mr. H. F. Finkle.

Mr. Chris Hansen, accompanied by Mrs. H. Channey, were in Calgary Monday. Mrs. Finkle returned with them, as she had spent several days in the city having treatments on her eye.

Mrs. Bayne and Billy Fraser motored to Calgary Saturday to spend the week-end there with friends.

HUSSAR WOMEN'S INST'TE HOLD REGULAR MEETING

HUSSAR, Apr. 23.—The April meeting of the Hussar W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. J. V. Bittles, president, with seven members present. Roll call was answered with April points. Mrs. LeGrand, secretary of the program committee, presented the new program. A letter from Mrs. J. P. Ferguson was read, and it was decided by unanimous vote that the Hussar W.I. approves of Mrs. Ferguson representing the W.I. at the international convention at Washington, D.C. The quilt committee, Miss Anna Hale and Miss Nancy Elliott, presented several patterns. One was selected and it was decided to buy plain green broadcloth for the background of the pattern, for the quilt for the hope chest. Each member will make a quilt block. Mrs. E. J. Bell, consistency convener, gave a report on the recent district convention at Lethbridge, touching the high lights, and the resolution to sponsor an effort to procure a supply of radium for the province. Mrs. J. C. Hoeght gave an interesting and amusing lecture on "The Nurture of Round and Round." Mrs. LeGrand sponsored an amusing contest, for which the prize was won by Mrs. Hoeght. The meeting closed with God Save the King, to meet again on May 23, with Mrs. J. C. Hoeght.

WEDDING

DESAJARDINE-GERVAS A pretty wedding was celebrated in the Chalmers Mission church April 22 at 10 a.m. when Edith Virginia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gervais of Calgary, was united in marriage with David Samuel, son of Mr. G. Desjardine, Gleichen.

The bride looked charming in a long-sleeved gown of pale pink tulle. The bride veil, reaching the hem of the dress, was caught at the forehead with a wreath of orange blossoms, and held by a halo of flowers. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and carnations. Miss Hazel Gervais, sister of the bride, in a pale green gown, acted as maid of honor.

After the ceremony, dinner was served at the home of the bride's parents. The wedding guests were the recipients of many beautiful and useful gifts.

The happy couple left that afternoon for a short honeymoon in Calgary, the bride traveling in a brown awnser suit with harmonizing accessories. On their return they will reside near Calgary. We all wish them much happiness.

Hussar Poet Honored

MONTREAL, Apr. 23.—One Albertan was commended for his entry in the 132 poetry competition, sponsored by the poetry group of the Canadian Authors' association, Montreal branch, according to prize lists announced last night.

Miss Grace Jackson, Vernon, B.C., was second in the lyrics section and given honorable mention while Bruce C. Bell of Hussar was commended for his submissions in the peace section—Calgary Herald.

Rosemary

ROSEMARY, May 30th.—Mrs. A. Gallup is home from the hospital where she has been confined for a few days with the flu.

Misses Pearl and Joan Eastman and Ronald Eastman spent the week-end in Calgary attending the Lion's Club Ice Carnival.

Miss Catherine Hall is home from the Calgary Technical Institute for the summer holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McCrelland spent a night last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tauffel.

Lloyd Young is a Calgary visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Narum, Cora Narum and Everett Wm. Narum, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Eastman Sunday evening.

A number of local people attended the dance in Hussar Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Joan Norton motored to Duchess Wednesday evening.

A number of farmers have bought new tractors and are busy getting on the land.

Frank Wilson has taken over Scott Florence's position with Schmidt's Transfer.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. and family were week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeil.

Mrs. S. Leonard, Dr. C. Hopkins and Miss A. Hopkins were in Gleichen Tuesday to attend a meeting of the Eastern Star.

175 GUESTS ATTEND BANQUET & DANCE OF BASSANO H. S. LITERARY SOCIETY FRI.

District Benefits \$8,000

Approximately \$8,000 was distributed by the 1930 equalization in the area covered by The Bassano Mail. Cheques were sent out from the head office of the Pool last Saturday. The total payment in Alberta was \$24 million.

MARK ANNIVERSARY CHANCE-OR COUPLE

Special to The Mail

CHANCELOR, Apr. 25.—In order to celebrate the occasion of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary the many friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Storey met at the Long Beach school house on Friday night to wish them hearty congratulations. The day, and success for many more years of happily married life.

To the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March, the bride and groom of twenty-five years ago, together with their children, were ushered to a large banquet table which had been set for approximately a hundred guests. The bride's table was beautifully decorated in colors of mauve and white, with daffodils and pussy willows set in vases. In the center of the table stood a large three-tiered wedding cake, which was later cut by Mrs. Storey.

Following the dinner a short program was arranged, which consisted of the following items: A solo by Mrs. E. Boudreau; a duet by Mrs. Dahl and Mrs. E. Wirt; and a reading by Miss Elsie Peterson. Mr. E. A. Wagner, toastmaster, on behalf of the friends gathered there, made a hearty welcome. Others who were called on for a few words were Mrs. K. Mrs. A. Anderson, Mrs. H. A. Madson and Mr. C. P. Dahl. As a final tribute, Mrs. Dan McGowan was called upon to present the gift, a beautiful chest of silverware, to Mr. and Mrs. Storey, which was done in a very touching manner, and by Mr. McGowan, ending by quoting "The Touch of the Master's Hand."

Mr. and Mrs. Storey both responded very fittingly, and thanked their many friends for their tokens of esteem. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

SCHOOL REPORT

GRADE III

Effie Drouz	92.6
Peter Roemer	90.7
Margaret Stancie	89.1
Robert MacLean	88.7
Elsie Greenwood	86.8
Edna Gervais	86.7
Wally Phipps	86.0
Gordon Walker	85.7
Shirley Smith	85.2
Elsie Hermann	81.6
Bathie Herlinger	80.6
Billy Stiles	77.7

GRADE IV

Mary Ann Gamble	93.1
Patricia Stiles	91.7
Lillian Lippert	89.6
Cliff Chisick	89.4
Raymond White	85.5
Billy Stiles	85.4
Elmer LePage	82.3
Neddy Redmond	82.6
Normie McRide	81.6
Charlie Hayes	81.0
Bobbie Holt	81.0
Donald Burgess	80.0
Robert Stiles	79.9
Ruth Morrison	73.3
John Taylor	73.0
Reuben Herlinger	70.5
Nancy M. Dorothy Mary Travis	68.0
Ronald Smith	

Hussar School Track Meet

HUSSAR, Apr. 23.—With a few preliminary days the Hussar school began to make plans for the local track meet, and set the date as May 9. Letters will go forward to the following schools asking them to participate by sending representatives to compete. The winners will participate in the district track meet to be held in Lethbridge May 10. The schools are: Sunny Range, Chancellors, Meadow Grass, Maplebrook, Rockville, Palmyra, Wintertown Hills, Atlas, Lawson, Shallow Water, Pilegrove, Grants and Two Bar.

In Turkey the manufacturers of alcoholic liquors is conducted as a government monopoly. Another good fornication for a war history Tuesday to attend a meeting of the Eastern Star.

Entertaining and Impressive Occasion—Impassable Roads Prevent Greater Attendance—Miss Fisher of the Bassano High School, Spoke on Revised Curriculum—Play Presented

Nearly one hundred and seventy-five people, including students, parents, teachers and visitors, gathered in the Masonic Community hall Friday, April 24, on occasion of the banquet of the Bassano high school, sponsored by the Literary society. Rain and sleet during the week had made the roads muddy and in many instances impassable; accordingly, the attendance of teachers and other from districts was reduced considerably.

The students are endeavoring to make the banquet an annual affair, this being the fourth affair of its kind in recent years, though not staged consecutively. The banquet this year was judged successful from every standpoint.

George Stiles, president of the school, welcomed the guests to the banquet, and as a mark of respect to the late King George V, requested the observance of a minute's silence. Mr. J. Whitson, who presided as toastmaster, giving the toast to the king. The toast to the parents was given by Vernon Thompson, replied to by Mr. Ben Peterson. Ed Stiles proposed the toast to the school staff, reply given by Miss G. Dunlop.

Mr. James Johnston presided over the banquet, which was replied to by Mr. Bob Harper. The toast to the school was proposed by Miss Plummer and was replied to by Mr. J. Whitson. During this part of the evening musical selections were rendered, Miss G. Schoer and Miss M. McNeill singing a duet, accompanied by Miss C. Murdoch; a piano solo by Miss Margaret Bell and a solo by Miss Jean Johnston, accompanied by Miss C. Murdoch.

Following the toasts, Miss Fisher of Calgary Normal school was introduced by the chairman, and her address on the revised curriculum pertaining to the lower grade in public school proved of much interest to her audience.

Under the direction of Jas. Johnston the play "Michael" was presented, which was exceptionally well performed by the students. Girls only made up the cast, each character in the drama was enacted realistically. This play is being entered in the Music and Dramatic Festival here in May.

The cast of "Michael" is made up of: Carolyn Beecher (Matrona), Lorraine Pearson (Clara), Shirley Holmes (Michael), Effie Drouz (Lillian), Betty Johnston (nobleman), Violet Bacon (servant), Audrey Kinsley (nobleman), Marion and Madeline Henson (the children).

The Scarlet Serenaders orchestra provided music for the dance during the latter part of the evening.

Rain, Sleet on Monday

HUSSAR, Apr. 28.—Rain, sleet and finally snow fell here Monday and a half inch of ice was found on water barrels Tuesday morning. By noon Tuesday the snow had practically disappeared and the roads were in fair condition again, for a heavy, drying wind was blowing.

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May did forbid our saying on this page the things that merely please. We would be humble in our opinions, we would be considerate of the opinions of others, we would not be unkind of the immutable laws of cause and effect, for therein lies the wisdom of the ages.

FASCISM AND COMMUNISM

The trend of government in Europe—the continent which has set the fashion in governments for centuries—is away from democracy and towards the totalitarian state. This is exemplified by Fascism and Communism, and both these forms of government detect each other with immeasurable hate.

Actually, as far as liberty is concerned, there is not much to choose between the two. Neither have any room for the ordinary people. Restriction and regimentation is the rule under the Commune and under the Fascist.

It may be possible that we are drifting towards a regimented society. Maybe our cherished forms of free government are an illusion. Our own opinion, however, is that life in the totalitarian state will be a drab routine and human progress infinitely slow.

The history of mankind shows advancement has always come under freedom's flag and also shows mankind has always been under a threat of restriction from demagogues in both church and state who conceive that they know better how to govern the people than the people do themselves. Autocrats and demagogues, whether Communist, Fascist, knight or priestly, always try to establish themselves firmly in a position of power and reduce liberty in the process.

We in America know little of the super-human struggles for liberty put up by such people as the British over long centuries. Torture and death under a free democracy did not stay the movement so deep-seated was the longing for liberty in human breasts.

The present generation, lured by the Fata Morgana of Communism and Fascism with their false and impossible claims, should stiffen their backs against such false doctrine and retain their liberties under a free democracy. We in a free country cannot even imagine the demeaning influence of loss of liberty, of regimentation and restrictive laws tarnished with heavy penalty, with constant watching and spying, of frequent betrayals and the lack of the right to speak what is in the heart and mind.

Liberty is a prized possession of humanity which should transcend all other desires. Life without liberty is a miserable and narrow existence.

"We live in the twentieth century, but where politics and higher education are concerned we employ the methods of the thirteenth."—Aldous Huxley.

FLORAL EMBLEMS

An entertaining and informative article from the federal government department of agriculture (most of them are anything but that) tells the stories connected with the establishing of national floral emblems.

For instance, the rose of Edward dates from the 13th century when Edward III chose it in honor of his mother who was known as the Rose of Provence.

The thistle of Scotland served a useful purpose in the early days when a night attack was being made by the Danish army. A barefooted Dane stepped on a thistle and cried out, giving alarm to the defending soldiers, who drove the invaders off.

When Cadwallan, the Welsh leader, was about to encounter Edwin, king of Northumbria, he ordered his men to wear a leek on their helmets to distinguish them from the enemy soldier.

Canada's emblem is the Maple Leaf. More than a century ago it was regarded as highly symbolical of the Canadian people. The virtues of the maple tree have always been highly regarded. It is sturdy in the forest, supplies a superb hardwood for lumber and fuel and its annual harvest of sugar and syrup was of great advantage to the pioneer.

Four Canadian provinces have adopted floral emblems. Alberta has the wild rose, Nova Scotia the mayflower of trailing arbutus, Manitoba the anemone or windflower and Ontario the trillium or wake-robin.

The fleur-de-lis, or iris, the French emblem, was used in coronation ceremonies, the king when crowned carrying an iris to represent a sceptre. Ireland has the immortal shamrock, Egypt and India the lotus, Germany the cornflower, Sweden the amaranth and Japan the chrysanthemum.

EVENTS IN THE OLD WORLD

The Italian armies have cleaned up properly on the unorganized hordes of Ethiopians. Haile Selassie's men have not been able to stand up against the Italian soldiery and modern methods and implements of war. This probability was early mentioned in this newspaper, while various news articles were expanding on the valor of the native troops and the menace to the invaders in the difficult terrain of Ethiopia.

The defenders never had a chance from the start, any more than did the Indians of North America, with their bows and arrows, when opposed to white invaders with rifles and cannon. The "last free country" in Africa was doomed from the day II Duce made up his mind to open the campaign.

The capture of Ethiopia, of course, will not end the incident. Italy by this action sets herself on a dangerous pathway on a great empire. Mussolini is bent on making Italy a great power. He cannot now turn back.

British interests in Egypt are wrapped up with Lake Tana in Ethiopia. One of the sources of the Blue Nile, on whose flood waters Egypt depends for most of her food production, Lake Tana occupies an important place in the scheme of things in North Africa. So there will be moves and counter-moves between Britain and Italy, each with the idea of checkmating the other and preventing domination in that great region.

The continent of Europe is almost always in a constant seethe of unrest, intrigue, and machination on the part of the great nations aspiring to greater power or seeking to hold what they have. Three unhappy continent, its earth of the centuries sodden with the blood of millions killed in futile wars!

A GALLANT RESCUE

A gang of tough, hard-bitten Nova Scotia miners delving into the rock and rubble of a tilted-in mine shaft, rescued Dr. D. E. Robertson and Alfred Seadman from a living tomb in the depth of a gold mine at Moose River, Nova Scotia, and gained widespread fame.

The whole tragic affair was dramatized in spectacular fashion by radio and newspaper so that North America was waiting on tiptoes while the desperate miners were tearing into the filled shaft like so many badgers. A sigh of relief swept across the continent when two of the imperilled three were rescued.

The real heroes, of course, were the miners. These men went go down into the bowels of the earth for the coal, gold, lead, zinc, iron, copper and other metals, are as a class heroic souls. They must be to forsake the cheerful light of day and warmth of the sun and toil like moles in the darkness of the mines.

Most of us are afraid of the deep, dark mines with narrow tunnels and close confined spaces. Claustrophobia attacks us when we even think of the many-tunnelled burrows underground. Yet men must work there, taking perilous chances, in order that the world may have the fuel and metals.

The Moose River tragedy brought to the attention of all Canada the stalwart type of men Nova Scotia mining districts produce. The way they ripped into the terrible shafts confronting them and overcame all obstacles sent a thrill of admiration across the dominion.

THE FUEL OF THE FUTURE

The danger of oil supplies, enacted in mother Earth, being used up within another generation has incited chemists to discover methods of producing a substitute. A suitable alternative must have abundant power, be cheaply manufactured and available in large quantities.

The suggestion has been made in Canada that surplus cereals could be utilized for the purpose. A plant has been established in Atchison, Kansas, for the manufacture of power alcohol from grains and its operations will be watched with great interest.

Although there now is a process by which starch can be directly converted into alcohol without mashing, no process is known by which proteins and cellulose contained in grain can be cheaply converted. Further, because the alcohol molecule contains oxygen its fuel value is lower than gasoline which contains only carbon and hydrogen. Alcohol also lacks the quick-starting feature of gasoline, which is quite important as many car owners in this northern country can testify.

Of course science is indefatigable. Its search for a substitute for the product of the ages—gasoline—will go on indefinitely until success is attained. And the likelihood is that the product will be produced by distillation from forest or field crops. At present, however, gasoline is cheaper and better than any substitute that has yet been discovered.

Ten Minutes with the Scotch Philosopher

IN THE WRONG

A well known city auctioneer is responsible for this tale about himself. While operating in the country he often items a little bit soiled, so he went into a general store and asked for a collar.

"What else?" queried the clerk. "A shirt," was the reply.

And the clerk answered, "You'll find the harness shop on the other side of the street, mister."

WHAT NAMES REVEAL

The man who inspired the writing of the famous play, "Green Pastures," died a few weeks ago.

Although he wore the good Scottish name of James Gordon McPherson, he was a negro and a parson to boot. Long ago the writer met a naked African citizen of the Congo who was used by a playful missionary as William Shakespeare.

But the name bestowed upon him by the other natives was not so complimentary.

It meant "The boy who never wipes his nose."

On his own burthen was a villainous looking brood of snakes, a vine of the mighty Zambesi and, since he always appeared to be in the mood, we nicknamed him Joshua.

This met with his approval until it led belating to one of the mission stations told him what had happened to the original bearer of the name.

Then, at his own request, we addressed him as Jacob.

And Jacob was some bird when dolled up in the garments reserved for ceremonial occasions. These consisted of a pair of very large riding boots, a tartan cloth, a kilt and an ancient straw hat which had no crown in it.

NO EAR FOR MUSIC

A Canadian film star, now residing in Hollywood, had the audacity to say that the Scot who invented the bagpipes received his inspiration by stepping on a cat.

PERSEVERANCE WINS THE DAY

Away back in November, a youthful school teacher wrote a cheerful little poem of an unusual nature.

This she sent to a number of Canadian journals, and such time received the customary rejection slips. Nothing daunted, she finally sent a copy to a large American publishing company, and the size of the cheque she received made her eyes pop.

Gladly adding to her pleasure was a letter suggesting that she submit other efforts for consideration.

THE FRUITS OF WAR

As legacies from the great war, in situations known as bush hospitals are to be found in many European countries. In these places are the helpless and mutilated human beings who had the misfortune to survive their dreadful injuries.

Many are without a single limb (others are totally paralyzed and their mental and physical tortures know the full meaning of "man's inhumanity to man.")

But the patients known as bomb casualties are the most pitiful of all. Blind as bats and with features blinded away by close contact with powerful explosives, the sight of these poor fellows is sufficient to make strong men weep.

Another war, even more cruel and devastating than the last, will soon cast its grim shadows over the earth. Nothing can stay it, and Britain will be in it.

And the international power changes and mutation men will take care of that.

But in spite of all the ties that bind us to the motherland there is no reason why Canada should follow in her footsteps. Let Europeans settle their own ungodly hatreds in the hell created by themselves.

They have had a thousand lessons in the past, but not one has been taken to heart.

During the 30 Years War the population of the German states dwindled to about 25 per cent of the original number.

France fared just as badly. At one time many of her children had vanished and a number of her fairest provinces were inhabited only by wild animals.

Small nations have ever been oppressed. For daring to defend her own territory Poland was torn apart in the most ruthless manner.

Through many centuries Belgians have gazed on flaming homesteads,

LIGHTER VEIN

A seaman in a southern port spoke a language none of 30 interpreters could understand, American conversation in a British novel is our guess.

Needed Strength

Bambo was hired on a railway gang. At the close of the first shift he was all tired out and sought the "mister, yo' abo yo' all got me down right on the pay roll."

"Sure," said the boss. "Here's your name—Bambo Simpson. That right?"

"Yes, sah," replied Bambo. "Ah just thought yo' might have me down at Samson."

Why is it that the average person can hear a clock tick across the room but can't hear the radio unless it's turned up high enough to carry four blocks?

Humility

Head Waiter: Did you order Ham and eggs?
Patient Customer: No, I humbly requested them.

Sign on Scotch golf course: "Members will kindly refrain from picking up lost golf balls until they have stopped rolling."

Neighbor: Where is your brother, Freddie?
Freddie: He's in the house playing a duet. I finished first.

"I see by this paper that in some sections of the east a wife can be bought for \$5. Isn't that awful?"

"Well, I don't know. A good wife might be worth that."

ruined hamlets and meadows, lumbered with the slain.

In the wake of the lost drawn out conflicts came the dreadful scourges of famine and pestilence to fill the graveyards to overflowing.

Yet in spite of these stern facts the vainglorious utterances of half crazed men have still the power to make the nations spring to arms.

The last war cost Canada the huge sum of \$1,000,000,000.

More regrettable still, it took the lives of 50,000 of our bravest and best and left a host of others to suffer throughout the years.

Few Canadians benefited by these tremendous sacrifices and remembrance of this should cause us to ponder long and earnestly before participating in another European war.

What Makes a Town ?

A prosperous rural population which demands a community centre where may be established business, educational, religious and entertainment facilities. Where these flourish and are active it is safe to surmise that the people of the section realize and appreciate the value to them of such a centre.

What Maintains it?

The towns are largely maintained by the surrounding districts. But the organization, the direction, and to a great measure the upkeep, of the institutions in such towns are in the hands of the business interests, together with those directly and indirectly connected therewith. Without the active business and professional men to supervise and govern these public institutions and undertakings no town could thrive.

Who Is Mainly Affected?

Every citizen either in or about a town should be concerned in seeing to it that they do their part in carrying on any good cause which may be promoted, either by financial or active support. Only in this way will any town prosper and develop as it should.

Publicity Is Required

In promotion work The Mail takes the leading part. It is ever the champion of worthy causes and philanthropic and patriotic undertakings. But to function properly, and fully carry out its natural prerogatives, it must in turn have the financial support of the community it serves. When needing advertising or printed matter always think of

The Bassano Mail

WASH GOODS

Clasp new prints in fast colors. Variety of the newest patterns. Big saving to you.

Special 19c Yard

HATS

Men, you can save on these extra value felt hats in the new spring styles. Just arrive.

Extra Special \$1.95

CURTAIN MATERIAL
Floral Scotch Madras of fine quality, yard wide.

Price 25c Yard

SHORTS and VESTS
Fine broadcloth shorts 45c
Cotton vest, white 35c

TOWELLING

Absorbent Turkish towelling in neat green stripes. Splendid wearing quality.

Per Yard 25c

DRESS GOODS

Cotton crepe in pleasing pattern recently attempt being made to blow up Doc Scott's car late Thursday afternoon by placing an infernal machine in the bowels of the motor.

Price 46c Yard

SHOES

Ladies' summer shoes, white kid pumps and saddle shoes.

Price \$2.95 Pair

GROCERIES

Fruit Special
1 can red pitted cherries, 1 can red plums, 1 can crushed pineapple, 1 can apricots.
ALL FOR 69c
MEAT BALLS—Jiffy, very tasty, 25c
COFFEE—Red Rose, 1-lb vacuum tin 33c
JELLY POWDER—4 for 25c, dozen 59c
OLIVES—Libby, large jar 39c
OAT FLAKES—Large Celopane pkg. 10c
TEA—Our Special, Broken Orange Pekoe, 10c

SPECIAL—fancy teapot filled with Buzell brand peanut butter 45c
TOILET TISSUE—Fine texture, pure white, 3 rolls 25c
PURIFIED RICE—Celopane pkg. 15c
SPECIAL—1 cup and saucer enclosed in each 3 lb tin coffee \$1

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

ORANGES—Extra large size, 3 doz. 81c
BANANAS—2 the 25c

Ripe Tomatoes—Lettuce—Celery—Asparagus—New Cabbage—New Garden Seeds & Onion Sets

JAMES JOHNSTON

"The Quality Store"

Local and Personal News Notes

If you know of an item for this column, let us know. We appreciate your help in recording the comings and goings of yourself, friends and relatives.

Dr. McIntyre and James Black of Etchemin were callers in Bassano on Wednesday.

John Hutton is now employed on the C.P.R. section crew working out of Bassano.

Arthur "Watts" Johnston spent a few days in Calgary last week visiting relatives there.

Mr. and Mrs. Al H. Hanson spent Sunday visiting the former's parents in Brooks.

The Bassano Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. S. H. Edwards on Tuesday, May 5.

Dante Ubertini and Art Thompson are home from the University of Alberta to spend the summer vacation.

Mrs. W. L. Phelan and Margaret were among those who were in Calgary over last week-end.

Miss Irene Kimmey spent last Saturday evening and Sunday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryne of Brooks attended the high school banquet at the Masonic Community hall Friday evening.

M. S. Hutchinson, formerly of Camrose, has taken over the bulk station of the Texaco Oil company at Bassano.

Mr. and Mrs. Parrott, formerly of Combes, and who have spent the past winter in the States, are in Bassano at present.

Matt Hesterman is now employed on the bridge building crew of the C.P.R., who are building a bridge across the Red Deer river.

Ralph Armstrong of the Alberta Wheat Pool, Calgary, and Stewart Ellis, former Pool agent here, are in Bassano this week shipping wheat from the elevator here.

The local fire brigade, under the direction of Chief Barlow, held a practice on Wednesday evening, running a line of hose from the hydrant near the Knox church.

Prepare Your Garden Now!

NOW IS THE TIME FOR PLOWING AND PLANTING YOUR GARDEN

Every thing you require to make your garden a success at the Bassano Nursery. Buy your seeds by bulk. Save 50 per cent! We have Dwarf and Bassano Wonder Peas, Tall Golden Bantam Corn, Green Beans, Wax Beans, Golden Sunshine Corn, Squaw Corn—all at 35c per pound. Special Spencer Sweet Pea seed at 50c per ounce. Special Dahlia Root, nicely started, at the a root.

We will have till June 10 holding out Everlastings, Marigolds, Carnations, Early Cabbage, Late Cabbage, Cauliflower, Tomatoes, Cucumbers in 3-inch pots. Gladioli in pots, will bloom very early, at 50c per dozen.

Strawberry Plants, Rhubarb Roots, Raspberry Canes, Potted Plants and Ferns on hand at all times.

A good seed of manure will give your garden a chance. See us! You will be satisfied with our service.

Bassano Nursery

H. D. BACON

BASSANO.

Phone 129

Heard 'n' Seen

Shorty Foster trying to borrow a pair of spurs from Gordy Plak. . . Doc Keith taking out a dust mop. How's hatching? . . . Charlie Wilson telling us a story for this column. . . Irvin Young explaining why he sold the dog. . . Jimmie Pierson hatching to a fire practice via a friend's car. . . Sandy with his feet on the desk in the office of the Calgary Aero club. . . Irene thinks we have let up on her in this column. Just kidding our time. . . A seemingly dastardly attempt being made to blow up Doc Scott's car late Thursday afternoon by placing an infernal machine in the bowels of the motor. The finger of suspicion points to Scotty McLaws who, it is rumored, was laying plans last week to even up a few old scores. The victim had entered his car, which was parked on main street, and had no sooner stopped on the starter when a screeching noise, rising in crescendo, intermingled with a few spatters and terminating with a sharp report and a puff of smoke, somewhat startled the lone occupant and some few others who were nearby. Jimmie Pierson started, business-like, toward the engine hood at the first screech, but retired immediately his intuition asserted itself. Scotty McLaws was guffawing mightily from a vantage point on the sidewalk, which fact, together with divers other incriminating actions, labels him as the perpetrator of the crime. It is understood that the latter has been advised to place his car under careful, continuous surveillance.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. E. Evans and family wish to express their heartfelt thanks for the many kind expressions of sympathy and numerous floral tributes received during their recent sad bereavement.

POLICE COURT

Four men were arrested when pulling out on a westbound freight by Town Constable T. Ingeberg and Const. H. Elvin, R.C.M.P., on Monday night for obtaining meals at a local restaurant without paying for them.

The arrested men, John Swain, John Gilechrist, Fred Watkins and Roy Anderson, had entered Pat's restaurant, and Swain, Gilechrist and Watkins ordered a meal, ate it and walked out without paying. They were tried by the magistrate at Etchemin and sentenced to seven days; Anderson, who did not order a meal, was sentenced to one day.

Classified Ads

Classified ads are charged at the rate of 10 words for 25c, 2c for each additional word for each issue. Minimum 25c.

FOR SALE—Gladioli bulbs, Bassano grown. 25c doz. Apply Mrs. Corbett, Bassano. 3533c

PERMANENTS

Sommer's Natural

The Perfect Wave

by Percy Rea and Irene Rea

MARLBOROUGH BEAUTY SHOPPE

(Calgary)

WILL BE IN BASSANO

Monday, May 18

BOOK APPOINTMENTS EARLY

with Ida Ingeberg

Phone 75

Knox Presbyterian Church

Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

Evening Service 7:30 p.m.

Services Conducted by G. W. Pickup

In a hurry?

Then let us serve you a tasty light lunch if a couple minutes

You Will Appreciate Our SNAPPY SERVICE

Drop In Some Time! You Will Like It!

HAMBURGERS OUR SPECIALTY!

SATISFACTION ASSURED

KOFFEE KOUNTER

Guy Foster, Prop. Phone 18

W. S. PLAYFAIR

Feed - Draying

Agency for

Galt Coal

Phone 26. Opposite Depot

VALUES AT McKEE'S!

MEN'S and BOYS' WEAR SECTION

MEN'S WORK CLOTHING

"Iron Man" Work Pants, pair	2.75
"Cowboy King" Pant Overalls, pair	2.15
GWG Red Strap Pant Overalls, pair	1.75
GWG "Red Strap" Bib Overalls, pair	2.00
GWG Rider Style Smocks, pair	2.25
"Master Mechanic" Pant Overalls, pair	1.95
Sisman's "Lyndale" Work Boots, pair	3.25
"Durabilt" Work Boots, pair	3.95
Men's Durable Covert Work Shirts, each	1.25
Men's Drill Work Shirts, each	1.35
Men's MacDaw (made in England) Work Shirts, each	1.95
Boys' Black Drill Pant Overalls, zipper pockets, pair	1.75
Boys' "Cowboy King" Navy Pant Overalls, pair	1.55
Boys' GWG Blue Denim Pant Overalls, pair	1.25
Young Men's School or Sports Longs, pair	2.75
Men's Work Gloves, Watson's and Acme, pair	75c to 1.50

DRESS WEAR FOR MEN

Men's Pure Wool Tweed Dress Pants, pair	3.50
Young Men's Tweed Dress Pants, pair	3.50
Men's Summer Wear Shorts, pair	50c
Men's Summer Wear Shirts, each	50c
Men's Hart Dress Oxforads, pair	7.00
Men's Everneat Dress Shirts, each	2.00
Men's New Summer Felt Hats, each	3.25
Men's Summer Tweed Caps, each	1.00

LADIES' WEAR & DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT

Ladies' Floral Crepe Dresses, each	3.45
Ladies' Print and Broadcloth House Dresses, 95c to 1.95	
Ladies' Orient Silk Crepe Hose, pair	1.00
Ladies' Orient Service Weight Hose, pair	1.00
Ladies' Fashion Fit Rayon Hose, pair	35c
Ladies' Merylene Cotton Hose, pair	25c
Ladies' Lisle Thread Ankle Sox, pair	25c
Children's Fine Cotton Ankle Sox, pair	20c
Children's Camel Cotton Hose, pair	30c
Ladies' White Calf 1 Strap and Sandals, pair	3.25
Potter's English PP prints, 3 yards for	1.00
Ladies' Belts, white and all colors, each	15c to 50c
Children's Jack and Jill Shoes, pair	1.45, 1.95 and 2.50

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

Grocery Values for Sat. & Mon., May 2 & 4

CANNED CORN—Square Deal Bantam, 2 tins	25c
PUMPKIN—Green Lake Taber pack, 2 1/2 lbs, 2 tins	29c
CHICKEN HADDIE—Brunswick brand, tin	15c
CRABAPPLE JELLY—Purity brand, 4 lb tin	57c
JELLY POWDERS—Araraband, assorted flavors, 5 for	25c
CANNED BEEF—Helmet brand, 12 oz. tins, each	15c
BLACK FIGS—California, 2 lbs	23c
FLAVORED CORN STARCH—Brown & Polsona, pkt.	20c
HEALTH BRAN—Quaker, pkg.	23c
HOMINY—Allgold brand, 2 1/2-lb tins, 2 for	25c
CEREALS—1 pkt Grape Nut Flakes, 1 pkt Shredded Wheat, 1 pkt Pep, 3 pkts	37c
CANNED FRUITS—1 tin raspberries, 1 tin sliced peaches, 1 tin red plums, 3 tins	57c
JAM—Pure gooseberry, Purity, 4-lb tins	59c
TEA—Malkin's Best, lb	53c
COFFEE—Rex brand, 3-lb tin, cup and saucer premium, tin	\$1
LAUNDRY SOAP—Fels Naphtha, 3 bars	57c
TOILET TISSUE—Pures, large rolls, 3 for	25c
CUPS and SAUCERS—Clover Leaf, per doz.	95c
Head Lettuce—Fresh Tomatoes—California Grape Fruit—Celery—Fresh Rhubarb—Green Onions—Radish—Oranges—Lemons—Carrots—Cabbage—Turnips	

McKEE'S STORES

"Always at Your Service"

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